

WILLIAM TUPHOLME – BOSTON

Date of Will - 26 Feb 1565

Probate – 12 May 1567

In the name of God Amen (In Latin) The xxvi (i.e., 26) day of ffebruarye in the year of our Lord God one thousand five hundred three score and five and in the eighth year of the Reign of our Sovereigne Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God Quene (Queen) of England Ffrance and Ireland defender of the faith ---

I **William Tupholme** of Boston in the County of Lincoln gentleman being sick in bodye but thanks unto almightie god of good and parfitte (perfect) remembrance do ordain demise make & declare this my last will and testament in manner and forme following. That is to saye ffirst and before all things I commit my soule to almightie god my maker and redeemer and my body to be buried --- the parish church of Boston aforesaid in the bell house there, as nye unto my late wife there buried as may be and for my mortuaries as the lawes of the realme shall require I give to the parson of Boston for the tyme being for my tithes negligently forgotten forever? --- from where --- --- I will them all to be praised by indifferent --- and to be sowlde (sold) by my executrix and the money coming of the same to be divided in five

and to be sold (sowlde) by my executrix and the money coming of the same to be divided in five partes and portions that is to say three parts thereof I do give to my wife and the other two partes to be divided among my children now living and the child or children that my --- with all to be delivered onto them and any of their portions at their sondrye ages of 21(xxi) years. And if any of them depart this world before that age, then his her or their part so to be equally divided among the others then living. Also where I have four gelding five mares and one nagge and one colte and one ffillye. I will all the same to be praised sowlde (sold) as is abovesaid. And the money coming of the same I do give and bequeath as before and have done of the money coming of the kind. And where I have one Reve three Burling and four Stake values I will the same be praised and solde as is abovesayde and the money thereof coming I will and bequeath as before I have done of the money coming of the kind and horses. Item where I have a great fat steer. I will he shall be praised and sold

as is abovesaid and the money of the same coming I do give to my wife and children to be divided as abovesayde. And where I have forty and four sheep of hoggs, ewes and wethers. I will they shall be also praised and sold as is abovesaid and money coming of the same I do give to my wife and children to be divided as is abovesaid. Item I will that all my household stuff as bedding pewter brass tin satin chests tables hanging curtain? iron and tensile? linen carpet? table forms chairs stools long setttelle cushions bed steads presses and all other utesille (utensil?) of household (windows glass siling (ceiling) doors & gates only excepted) not hereafter In this my will given ? and beforesaid shallbe praised & sold

as is aforresaid and the money coming from the same I do give to my saide wife three partes thereof and the other two partes of the same to my said children to be divided amongst them as the other money above named coming of the kine and other legacies above named and I will that all the windows glaze selings (ceilings) doors and gates remain as I --- in and above my name mansion house farm. I give to my said wife all my plate jewels (my ring with the --- head only excepted) which ring I do give to **Nicholas Tupholme** my sonne. Item I do give to my said wife all her apparell what soever it be and I will that mine own apparrell shallbe praised and sold as abovesaid and the money coming of the same I do give and bequeath to my said wife and children to be divided amongst them as before I have appointed the money coming of that kyne? horse and sheep abovesaid. Item I give to **Brian Robertson** my skeyne and my dagger for a remembrance Item I give to **William Mendenyke or Fendyke?** my bow and my quiver of arrows Item I give to my brother **William Topholme** my stone? Bow and all the rest of my --- and crossbows I will shallbe

praised and sold and the money coming of the same I do give and bequeath to my said wife and children to be divided among them as other my legacies aforesaid. And the Residue of all my goods chattels and ready money not in this my last will and testament given and bequeathed. I do give them unto my said wife whom I make my true and lawful exectutrix of this my last will and testament. Commanding her most heartily to see all my debts in --- and truly paid and the legacies of this my last will and testament performed. And I do request **Alex Lymer** give my true and faithfull friend to be her aider and helper in seeing this my last will and testament executed and performed I do make him the supervisor of this my last will and testament. And I do give for his payne therein a hope of gold in value xiijs iiijd (13s.4d.) Item I will that where I have --- of the manor and burgage of the Borough of Boston in the county of Lincoln in the tyme of **Richard Brigge** late mayor of the said

Borough to --- of said ground? now enclosed right? to my capital? mesuage? Where I now dwell for ever --- which I have yet unpayde and as yet I have no assurance of the same. And where I have purchased of **Richard Childe** one house nigh unto my said new? mansion house for three pounds whereof I have paid --- and as yet I have no assurance of the same. I will that my said wife shall pay the said four pounds to the said manor and burgages of the Borough of Boston and the --- sum? to **Richard Child** and upon the payment of the same money to take assurance of the said two sondry (sundry?) purchased to herself for term of her life and after her decease to the use of the right heirs of me the said **William Tupholme** farmer. In Witness which to this my last will and testament I have sett my seale and hand the day and year above written in the presence of **Thomas** --- & **William Tupholme**

In Probatum fuit huius testamontum coram

Probatum fuit huius Testamentum coram Magistro Waltero Haddon legum doctore Curie Prerogative Cant. Commissario apud London duodecimo die mensis Maij Anno domini Millisimo Quingentesimo Sexagesimo septimo In iuramento Christopheri Robinson noli publici proctoris Topholme et uxoris in huius teste notat. Qui Commissa fuit ad omnia et singulorum bonorum suorum et creditorum sui def. De bene et de pleno et fidei In iuramento exhibendis. Actum de plano et vero compo. reddendis ad Sancta dei Emigelia inrat

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I can see a Doctor of Laws, Walter Haddon(?) of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury (?) and the date of 12th day of the month of May 1567, something along the lines of:

"Waltero Haddon? legum doctore Curie Prerogat Cant Commissario ... London duodecimo die mensis Maij Anno Domini Millisimo Quingencesimo Sexagesimo septimo ..."